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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: Robert R. Mantell

Appln. No.: 10/829,485

Filed: April 22, 2004

For: MIXED-GAS INSUFFLATION SYSTEM

Attorney Docket No: 7034/110

Examiner:

Art Unit: 3763

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**Attached is/are:**

- ☒ Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449; Copies of Cited References
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

**Fee calculation:**

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
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- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_\_).
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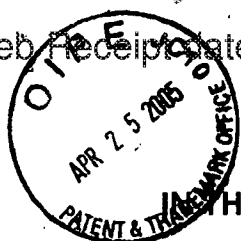
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
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- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

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Respectfully submitted,

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

Document Number	Date of Publication	Name
5,411,988	05/02/1995	Bockow et al.
5,478,837	12/26/1995	Rodgers et al.
5,534,261	07/09/1996	Rodgers et al.
5,537,993	07/23/1996	Reichert et al.
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6,379,373	04/30/2002	Sawhney et al.
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Document Number	Date	Country
EP 0 369 764 B1	06/29/1994	EPO
EP 0 712 635 B1	05/02/2003	EPO
WO 94/00484	01/06/1994	PCT
WO 96/29987	10/03/1996	PCT
WO 96/40090	12/19/1996	PCT

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary,

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37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3). Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

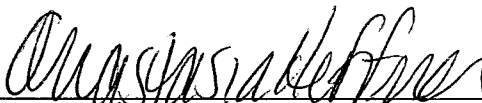
By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

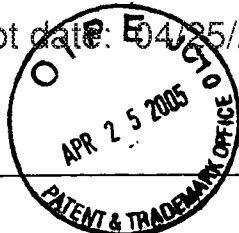
Applicant has calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

April 21, 2005

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FORM PTO-1449	SERIAL NO. 10/829,485	CASE NO. 7034/110
LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT	FILING DATE April 22, 2004	GROUP ART UNIT 3763
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## REFERENCE DESIGNATION

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	B12	EP 0 712 635 B1	05/02/2003	EPO		
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	B14	WO 96/29987	10/03/96	PCT		
	B15	WO 96/40090	12/19/96	PCT		

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ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /M.M./